

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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ELECTRIFICATION IN KARNATAKA
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government have decided to launch a project under the Accelerated Power Development Programme on rural electrification in Mandya, Karnataka;
- (b) if so, the outlay for the project;
- (c) whether the work on this project has already commenced; and
- (d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be completed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (d) : Government of India has approved Accelerated Power Development Programme (APDP) in November, 2000, with the outlay of Rs. 1000 crores for 2000- 2001. APDP will continue till the year 2012 with an outlay of Rs. 1500 crores for the year 2001-02. APDP will finance projects relating to:-

- (i) Renovation & Modernisation/Life Extension/Updating of existing old generating stations, costing less than Rs. 100 crores; and
- (ii) Upgradation of sub-transmission & distribution network including energy accounting and metering in the distribution circles in a phased manner.

Under phase-I of the programme, 50 distribution circles have been identified in consultation with the State Governments for implementation of projects relating to upgradation of sub-transmission & distribution network. Short-term and Long-term measures will be taken up in these circles for reduction of T&D losses (both technical & commercial losses). For Karnataka, Mysore, Bijapur, Belgaum circles have been identified for upgradation of sub-transmission & distribution network. The project report in respect of Hubli Circle have been received for appraisal and funding. The remaining distribution circles will be taken up in a phased manner for which project reports will have to be prepared by KPTCL. Short-term measures like installation of meters, capacitors and distribution transformers have been approved during the current year in three circles (Mysore, Bijapur and Belgaum).